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CLIMAX OF GROWTH

Nearly Reached by Cotton in the Past Week

The Memphis Commercial Appeal last Monday gave the following summary of the cotton outlook.

Good progress was made by the cotton crop in all cotton-growing states bordering on the Mississippi river and in Alabama and Oklahoma, although progress made under favorable weather in Louisiana was somewhat offset by ravages from boll weevil. Deterioration occurred in Texas, Georgia and the Carolinas. Taken as a whole the deterioration about equaled the advancement, so that the week might be regarded as a standoff.

In most sections of the belt the plant seems to have about reached the climax of development and deterioration consequent upon maturity seems ready to set in. In fact, some of the deterioration in the sections where the plant retrograded was attributed to this cause. In some lowlands and in late plantings where there is plenty of moisture in the soil fruiting is expected to continue for a time.

In states where an advance was noted the plant grew and fruited well and is, generally speaking, heavily fruited and promises excellent yield. The heaviest deterioration was reported from Texas, where drouth in the south has caused premature opening of bolls and has precluded the idea of a fall crop. Some complaint is heard from all dry sections of shortness of staple due to premature opening. In north Texas fairly favorable weather conditions were offset and overcome by damage from boll weevil and other insects. Drouth and some scattering insects were responsible for deterioration in other states.

In all sections save where dry weather has forced early maturity the final yield will depend largely upon the date of frost. Where fairly good yields are promised with average frost much better will be obtained with late frost. Boll weevil complaint is scarce in Louisiana and Northern Texas. From Mississippi complaints from this pest are gratifyingly few.

In Tennessee excellent weather prevailed during the week and the crop prospect continued to improve. Plant is rather small, but heavily fruited and is practically unmolested by insect or other different agencies. A late frost will insure a much greater yield than was estimated from early conditions.

COUNTY UNION

To Hold Meeting With Pleasant Hill Local

We are requested by W. W. Holmes, secretary, to announce that the Carroll County Union will meet with Pleasant Hill Local, No. 221, on Friday and Saturday, September 13 and 14. On account of school being taught in the Clark school house on Friday, the business sessions Friday will be held at the Morgan school house near Terry's store.

On Saturday the public speaking will be held at the Clark school house. A good program has been prepared and everybody is invited.

I. T. S. OPENING

Huntingdon's Popular School is Down to Work

The I. T. S. had its opening last Tuesday morning and a very interesting program was carried out. A number of the citizens of the town went out to the opening and gave the returning teachers and new students a cordial welcome.

There are quite a number of new students and it is quite a good looking and intelligent body of students. We understand there are more boarding students than were present at any former opening of the school.

CANDIDATES OFF

Ross and Grissom Quit the Race for Congress

The republican executive committee for the Eighth congressional district met Friday at Hinson Springs. The district has had two republican candidates, Hon. J. W. Ross, of Savannah, who was nominated by the Camden convention, and Hon. Clyde Grissom, of Carroll county, who announced himself as a candidate because of the dissatisfaction existing in many places concerning the conduct of the Camden convention. Both gentlemen were present at this meeting, and each withdrew his claim to the nomination, leaving the committee to name a candidate. The committee adjourned until September 7, when a meeting will be held in Jackson to select an opponent for Hon. T. W. Sims.

It will be hard to get a man to make the race that the party will unite upon.

A Progressive Citizen

Dr. G. C. Bryant, of McMoresville, was in town on business last Wednesday. Dr. Bryant is one of McMoresville's progressive citizens and is a splendid booster for the town. He informs us that there are two nice residences and two business houses under construction, and that the town will have a new cotton gin this fall. The building for the new gin is being erected and the gins have been ordered. It is to be operated by a stock company and will be an up-to-date plant. McMoresville is a good cotton market.

BITTEN BY DOG

Much Excitement Caused in the First District

Jeff McLemore, of the First district, was bitten by a dog Thursday of last week thought to have hydrophobia. Mr. McLemore was at the home of Marvin Burns assisting in treating a horse that was sick. While working with the horse a dog ran up and grabbed Mr. McLemore by the arm, burying his teeth in the flesh.

The dog belonged to Jesse McAlexander and is believed to have had rabies, and the incident caused quite a sensation. Mr. McLemore went to a mad stone and the stone adhered to the wound for nearly two days. The dog, after having run at large for some time, was finally killed.



E. A. MORGAN, Huntingdon's New Postmaster.

SOME GOOD ROADS

How One Neighborhood Improved Road Conditions

Our friend, J. Mat Thomas, told us a few days ago how the good people of his community overcome the good roads problem. After the road contractor had exhausted the money and labor at his command, the neighbors took a couple of big road graders and good teams and other road tools and put in several days on the roads. They completed twelve miles of good roads. They rounded them up in splendid shape, provided for sufficient drainage to take care of the water, and left them in such a condition that they are being praised by everybody that travels over them.

They commenced at the corporation of McKenzie and worked to King's levee, a distance of five miles, and then came on the Ninth district to McKenzie, a distance of seven miles.

This is the result of neighborhood pride. These people are well-to-do farmers and take pride in their homes and home community, and are willing to spend a little of their time and labor for the general good. They recognize the fact that while they benefit their community they benefit themselves. Other neighborhoods in Carroll county could do this if they were sufficiently public spirited.

THE COUNTY COURT

New Members Take the Oath of Office

Last Monday was a busy day with County Court Clerk J. W. Williams. Fifty-one magistrates qualified, leaving only two members of the new bench to take the oath of office and secure their commissions. The magistrates from the Twenty-fourth district were not here, but will qualify later.

The new court will be composed about equally of new and old members. It is a conservative court, but will, in our opinion, stand for such progressive measures as will add to the material development and wealth of the county.

A number of constables were also here Monday and made bond and qualified for service.

Sheriff Aden made his bond the first of the week and qualified as sheriff of the county for a term of two years. He appointed Frank Jolly as deputy sheriff. He will appoint other new deputies.

We have been requested to announce that the ladies of the Methodist church will serve ice cream tonight (Friday) in the court house yard. The ladies have served ice cream several evenings and have been very successful. They always give you your money's worth.

SPARKS NOMINATED

Republican Committee Throw Out Many Votes

The sub-committee of the republican executive committee having before it for settlement the Sparks-Argo contest completed its work last Monday by declaring Mr. Sparks the nominee.

The contest grew out of the primary for representative. The candidates were Elmer T. Sparks and Andrew J. Argo, and Mr. Argo received a majority of 86 on the face of the returns. Mr. Sparks contested the election, charging fraud in the Second, Fifth and Eleventh districts. The county committee appointed a sub-committee composed of P. W. Maddox, Emmerson Argo, P. H. Clay, Joe W. McMillin, M. G. Bowers and Priest Haynes to hear the contest and declare the result. Notice of the contest and the charges of fraud made, were served on Mr. Argo, who paid no attention to notice and ignored the entire proceedings.

This sub-committee held three meetings, heard the evidence and announced its finding Monday. It was charged that fraudulent votes were cast in the three districts named and the committee so found. The votes in the three districts were thrown out, but not by a unanimous vote in every instance.

In the Second district the vote stood four to one with one not voting. In the Fifth the vote was five to throw out with one not voting. In the Eleventh the vote stood four to one with one not voting. McMillin voted against throwing out the votes in the Second and Eleventh. Bowers did not vote at all. He concurred in the finding of the committee, but insisted on referring it back to the people. All the committee were present except Haynes, and Maddox held his proxy.

The throwing out of the Fifth district would have seated Sparks, but it is alleged that proof of fraud was found in the other districts and they were also bounced.

Milan's Fruit Crop

The fruit shipments of the season just closed show this to have been a bumper year for the fruit growers of the section of Milan. Not only has the quality of fruit shipped been above that previously grown there, but the shipments have been larger. One hundred and forty-four cars of fruit were shipped from that place this season.

AN UGLY AFFAIR

A Young Girl Outraged by a Show Man

McKenzie was the scene last Saturday morning of a lively sensation in which Fred White, a show man traveling with the Juvenal Carnival company, and Miss Hazel Bandy, a 15-year-old girl, of Gleason, were the principal actors.

It seems that Miss Bandy had had run away from home because her step-mother had whipped her, and she had walked from Gleason to McKenzie, a distance of seven miles, reaching the latter place Friday afternoon. She soon fell into the hands of the show gang, and being young, inexperienced and, as she thought, without friends, and hunting work, she soon fell a victim to the wily and seductive influence of Fred White, a slick artist belonging to this pseudo moral show, claimed to be run by a preacher. After hours of suspicious conduct they were both placed under arrest. The girl charged that White had enticed her into the tents on the show ground and outraged her.

The girl's father having been notified by City Marshal Mitchell, came to McKenzie early Saturday morning. While Mitchell and Mr. Bandy were preparing a warrant to serve on White, Night Watchman Guill, who had the prisoner in charge, let him get away. Diligent search was made for White, but he made good his escape. Bandy carried his daughter home.

POSTOFFICE CHANGE

A. M. Lee Retires and E. A. Morgan Takes Charge

The postoffice at Huntingdon changed postmasters the first of the month, A. M. Lee retiring and E. A. Morgan taking charge. The office was checked up Sunday and Mr. Lee, after being in the service as postmaster for over sixteen years, retired.

Mr. Lee has been an efficient officer, painstaking and accommodating and he has seen the business of the office increase wonderfully during his administration. The postoffice business has had a big growth during those years. Seven mail routes out from Huntingdon have been established during that time, which has added materially to the business as well as to the labor of the office. Huntingdon has never had a postmaster that gave more general satisfaction than Mr. Lee, and he quits the office with the full confidence and good will of our entire people.

Mr. Morgan, the new postmaster, is a good, conservative business man, and will make an accommodating officer, and one who will give the office his closest attention and very best service. He has retained the service of Joe Hester, who has been assistant postmaster for some time under Mr. Lee, and who is strictly on to his job. Joe knows his business, attends to it carefully, and is very accommodating. Joe's friends are delighted that his face and happy smile is to continue to be seen at the window.

Mr. Morgan will also be assisted by Mrs. Dorsey Morgan, who is quick to catch on to the work and will soon be splendid help. The patrons of the office will be well cared for under the new management and the office will continue to be one of the best in this section of the state.

TRUSTEE MAKES BOND

Mr. Woods' Friends Show Their Confidence in Him

George M. Woods made his bond last Monday, and has qualified as trustee of Carroll county for another term of two years. As an evidence of the fact that Mr. Woods' Trezevant friends have full confidence in his efficiency as an officer and integrity as a man, they came up Monday and voluntarily made his bond, qualifying to double the amount necessary.

It is a compliment to any man to so live and conduct himself among his home people that they will manifest that interest and confidence in him. But no one who knows George Woods will ever question his honesty and his life and official conduct have been such as to gain the confidence and good will of everybody.

BULL MOOSE SPEAKING

Candidates are to be at Trezevant Saturday

The first speaking, by members of the bull moose or progressive party, for Carroll county, will be pulled off at Trezevant tomorrow. The speakers are W. F. Poston, of Alamo, candidate for governor of the progressive party, and Harry B. Anderson, of Memphis, elector for the state-at-large on the same ticket. The speaking will begin at 1 o'clock.

The progressive party has some strong following at Trezevant and the fact that this is a new party and the first speaking in the county by a member of that party, insures a good crowd for the Saturday appointment.

Chas. P. Ownby, who formerly lived in the Twenty-third district, but for several years has been in the old soldiers' home in Nashville, is visiting in his old home community. Mr. Ownby is delighted with the old soldiers' home and with the treatment he receives there. He says it is a great place for the old boys.



POSTOFFICE FORCE UNDER A. M. LEE

Back row, reading from left to right—Bruce Cooper, mail messenger; Herman Williams, star route carrier; Carnes B. Lee, stenographer to his father and clerk in postoffice; Atlas M. Lee, retiring postmaster; Joe T. Hester, assistant postmaster under Mr. Lee and retained under new administration; Miss Effie Chambers, substitute rural carrier to her father.

Front row—John W. Barrow, rural carrier on route one; J. Fred Walters, rural carrier on route two; Ceborn J. Chambers, rural carrier on route three; Henry D. Lee, rural carrier on route four; J. D. Crawford, rural carrier on route five; Ernest R. Johnson, rural carrier on route six; Claude E. Mebane, rural carrier on route seven.

Sitting in front—"Uncle" Frank Grizzard, delivery messenger.

Splendid Exhibits
Free Fair
Fun For All

PLAN TO MEET YOUR FRIENDS IN HUNTINGDON AT THE
Carroll County Fair October 1st to 5th

Clifton-Kelley Shows
Great Free Acts
Lots of Good Music